

**MOTION BY CHAIR HILDA L. SOLIS**

**AGN. NO.  
JULY 19, 2016**

On May 24, 2016, the Board of Supervisors approved the 2016-2017 One-Year Action Plan (Action Plan) for the Forty-first Program Year (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017), to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and other funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Action Plan contains the County's One-Year plan to carry out housing and community development activities funded by the CDBG Program. The Volunteers of East Los Angeles (VELA), a community-based development organization, supports community economic development activities that increase economic opportunity, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income, and that stimulate or retain businesses which enhance and promote the unincorporated East Los Angeles business districts. VELA will receive a total of \$420,000 in CDBG funds from the First Supervisorial District, to be allocated as follows: \$210,000 to conduct special events focusing on employment and health care issues, refurbishment of murals in the unincorporated East Los Angeles area, and business outreach coordination with the County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs; \$70,000 for handyworker services; and \$140,000 to continue the East Los Angeles Farmer's Market (collectively, Projects). CDBG funds will be used for a portion of personnel costs and non-personnel professional services.

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**I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

1. Find that approval of the standard CDBG Reimbursable Contracts are not subject to the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(3) and 15378, because they are not defined as projects under CEQA and do not have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.
2. Approve the award of standard CDBG Reimbursable Contract, to Volunteers of East Los Angeles (VELA), for its Special Events and Programs project, using \$210,000 in CDBG funds allocated to the First Supervisorial District.
3. Approve the award of standard CDBG Reimbursable Contract, to VELA, for its Handyworker project, using \$70,000 in CDBG funds allocated to the First Supervisorial District.
4. Approve the award of standard CDBG Reimbursable Contract, to VELA, for its East Los Angeles Farmer's Market project, using \$140,000 in CDBG funds allocated to the First Supervisorial District.
5. Authorize the Executive Director of the Community Development Commission, or his designee, to execute the standard CDBG Reimbursable Contracts, and all necessary amendments thereto on behalf of the County of Los Angeles with VELA, for the above Projects, following approval as to form by County Counsel.

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